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OBITUARY

WILLIAM EDWARD BUSBRIDGE

William Edward Busbridge (known to many as Buzz) was born in London on 27th July 1904, and died suddenly from a heart attack on 30th September 1978. He was the son of William Reginald Busbridge who became Station Master at Dover Marine in 1918, and as such was the holder of many foreign decorations given by crowned heads as they passed through the port.

After attending school in Dover he, like his father, joined the Railway and was a clerical officer in London throughout his career, except for the 1939-1945 War, in which he served in the army.

Busbridge was a keen collector of lepidoptera and observer of bird life. He spent most of his leave in the country and much of his collecting was done around Dover in the 1920's and 1930's, and later at Sevenoaks where he lived after the war. Probably the best insect he ever took was at Atchester Wood, Stelling near Elham on 6th June 1930. This was the very rare ab. *fuscaria* Prout of the Orange Moth (*Angerona prunaria* L.), which specimen is now in the RCK collection in the BMNH.

Latterly he lived alone in an hotel — he was never married — and became interested in chess, becoming Hon. Secretary of the Hastings and St. Leonards Chess Club. He had no near relatives but will be sadly missed by his many friends.— G. H. YOU DEN.